

Chief Judge Ricardo S. Martinez
Magistrate Judge Michelle L. Peterson

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

KENBON DERESSA and KELEM BERIHUN,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ALEJANDRO MAYORKAS, Secretary of the
Department of Homeland Security; ANTONY
BLINKEN, United States Secretary of State; UR
JADDOU, Director of United States Citizenship
and Immigration Services; TRINA SWANSON,
United States Citizenship and Immigration
Services Nairobi Field Office Director; FIONA
EVANS, Deputy Chief of Mission for the United
States Embassy in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia; and
PEGGY PETROVICH, Director of the National
Visa Center;

Defendants.

Case No. 2:21-cv-01528-RSM-MLP

STIPULATION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME

Note on Motion Calendar:
February 4, 2022

COME NOW, Plaintiffs, Kenbon Deressa, Kelem Berihun and Federal Defendants, by
and through their counsel of record, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6 and Local
Rules 10(g) and 16, and hereby jointly stipulate and move to stay the initial scheduling dates set

1 by the Court (Dkt. No. 8). Defendants filed a motion to dismiss the Complaint on February 1,
 2 2022 (Dkt. No. 9).

3 A court may modify a deadline for good cause. Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(b). Continuing pretrial
 4 and trial dates is within the discretion of the trial judge. *See King v. State of California*,
 5 784 F.2d 910, 912 (9th Cir. 1986). Defendants filed a motion to dismiss (Dkt. No. 9) and
 6 although there are no current offers being discussed, all parties are open to resolving this matter,
 7 if possible, without the need for litigation. Therefore, the parties believe good cause exists for a
 8 brief stay to allow the Court to rule on the motion to dismiss in order to save the parties from
 9 spending unnecessary time and resources on this matter.

10 In light of the above, the parties jointly stipulate and request that the Court:

- 11 1. Stay the initial scheduling dates set forth in the Court's Scheduling Order. Dkt. No. 8.

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 13 Stipulated to and presented this 4th day of February, 2022.

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ORDER

The parties having stipulated and agreed, it is hereby so ORDERED.

DATED this 7th day of February, 2022.



MICHELLE L. PETERSON
United States Magistrate Judge